

DETAILED ACTION

Amendment

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the Request for Continued Examination and the Amendment filed April 7, 2011.

Information Disclosure Statement

2. The Information Disclosure Statement filed on January April 7, 2011 has been considered. An initialed copy of the Form 1449 is enclosed herewith.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-4, 6-8, and 11-29 are allowable over prior art.

The following is an examiner's reason for allowance: Although prior art includes teachings of portable communication devices for at least mono-directional communication with a terminal, the identified prior art of record, taken alone, or in combination with any other prior art, fails to teach or fairly suggest the specific features of claims 1-4, 6-8, and 11-25 of the present claimed invention. Specifically, prior art fails to teach the portable communication device including a micro-module including a chip; a reader configured to receive the micro-module, wherein the reader includes an antenna of low or medium range type allowing for micro-module to transmit a radio-frequency communication to the terminal, and wherein the antenna is held by the reader such that the micro-module is removable relative to the antenna. Claims 1 and 26 require the portable communication device to include two separate components - a reader and a micro-module and therefore the prior art which discloses an antenna coin embedded in the SIM does not read on the currently pending claims. The specific

limitations recited in claims 1 and 26 are not disclosed in prior art and moreover, one of ordinary skill in the art would not have been motivated to come to the claimed invention.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to *Allyson N. Trail* whose telephone number is (571) 272-2406. The examiner can normally be reached between the hours of 7:30AM to 4:00PM Monday thru Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael G. Lee, can be reached on (571) 272-2398. The fax phone number for this Group is (571) 273-8300.

Communications via Internet e-mail regarding this application, other than those under 35 U.S.C. 132 or which otherwise require a signature, may be used by the applicant and should be addressed to [allyson.trail@uspto.gov].

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